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SUBJECT: ALLEGED UNAUTHORIZED OVERFLIGHT OF IRAQ
AIRSPACE

REF: (A) 76 BAGHDAD 0698; (B) 76 BAGHDAD 1652; (C) 76
STATE 275685; (D) BAGHDAD 0051; (E) ROME 1664; (F)
BAGHDAD 0210; (G) BAGHDAD 0264; (H) BAGHDAD 0211; (I)
BAGHDAD 0359; (J) VALLETTA 0139; (K) VALLETTA 0224

1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION PROVIDES RESPONSE REQUESTED
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PARA 3, REFTEL (I) AND INFORMATION REGARDING PARA 1 AND
2, REFTEL (H). RESPONSE TO PARA 4, REFTEL (K) WILL
FOLLOW.

2. BACKGROUND: FAA INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT INFORMATION
MANUAL (IFIM) APRIL 76 ISSUE CONTAINED AIRCRAFT ENTRY
REQUIREMENTS FOR IRAQ WITH SPECIAL NOTICE THAT GOI HAS

BANNED ALL OVERFLIGHT AND LANDINGS BY U.S. REGISTERED AIRCRAFT EXCEPT PAA AND VIP VISITORS INVITED BY GOI. REF (A) ADVISED THAT BAN HAS BEEN LIFTED BY GOI EFFECTIVE MAY 26 1976 AND IFIM WAS AMENDED ACCORDINGLY ON JULY 1, 1976. ON SEPTEMBER 15, 1976, FAA ISSUED INTERNATIONAL NOTAM (NOTICE TO AIRMEN) PROVIDING DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS TO PRIVATE AND NON-SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL OPERATORS ON

HOW THEY MAY OBTAIN OVERFLIGHT AND LANDING PERMISSION FROM GOI. NOTAM CANCELLED JANUARY 26, 1977 BECAUSE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN JANUARY 1977 AMENDMENT TO IFIM. DURING PERIOD OCTOBER 15 - DECEMBER 21, 1976, GOI REPORTED FIVE VIOLATIONS, STATUS OF EACH FOLLOWS:

CASE ONE. REF (B) REPORTED AMERICAN AIRCRAFT GULF G-164A ENTERED AND OVERFLEW IRAQ WITHOUT AUTHORITY ON OCTOBER 15. REF (C) ADVISED THAT IT WAS UNLIKELY THAT AIRCRAFT WAS AMERICAN AND REQUESTED ADDITIONAL INFO. FAA NOTES THAT AIRCRAFT PREFIX "G" IS U.K. NATIONALITY DESIGNATOR. FAA CANNOT INVESTIGATE UNTIL ADDITIONAL INFO PROVIDED.

CASE TWO. REF (D) REPORTED AMERICAN AIRCRAFT DC-6 CALL SIGN 5602 ENTERED AND OVERFLEW IRAQ WITHOUT AUTHORITY ON OCTOBER 24. REF (E) REPORTED FAA REP ROME ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY AIRCRAFT OPERATOR UTILIZING U.S. PREFIX DESIGNATOR "N" BUT TO NO AVAIL. ALTHOUGH REF (F) PROVIDED ADDITIONAL INFO, IT WAS NOT HELPFUL. FAA WILL PURSUE CASE IF MORE COMPLETE AND PRECISE DATA CAN UNCLASSIFIED

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BE PROVIDED.

CASE THREE. PARA 2, REF (H) REPORTED AMERICAN B-720 ENTERED IRAQ WITHOUT AUTHORITY ON DECEMBER 4. AS AIRCRAFT WAS FORCED TO LAND AT BAGHDAD AND INQUIRY CONDUCTED BY GOI WOULD APPEAR THAT GOI HAS DETAILS OF INCIDENT. AT MINIMUM, FAA NEEDS AIRCRAFT REGISTRATION NUMBER, NAME OF PILOT OR AIRCRAFT OPERATOR AND SPECIFICS OF ALLEGED VIOLATION IN ORDER TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ENFORCEMENT ACTION.

CASE FOUR. PARA 3, REF (H) REPORTED AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ENTERED IRAQ WITHOUT AUTHORITY ON DECEMBER 20. NO DETAILS GIVEN. FAA AWAITING ADDITIONAL INFO.

CASE FIVE. REF (I) REPORTED AMERICAN AIRCRAFT N-84059 ENTERED AND OVERFLEW IRAQ WITHOUT AUTHORITY ON DECEMBER 21. REF (K) PROVIDED ADDITIONAL DATA; HOWEVER, REGISTRATION NUMBER TRANSPOSED AND SHOULD READ N-48059 REPEAT

N-48059.

3. FOR FAA BRUSSELS, FAA (AFS) REQUESTS YOU INVESTIGATE CASE FIVE AND REPORT PER FAA ORDER 8030.7A. IF CONVAIR 880 AIRCRAFT IS DISPLAYING U.S. REGISTRATION MARKING NO. N-84059 AS REPORTED, OPERATOR WOULD BE IN VIOLATION OF FAA PARTS 45 AND 47. FAA ASSUMES THAT WHEN U.S. INT BAGHDAD ABLE TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFO ON OTHER FOUR CASES YOU WILL INVESTIGATE.

4. FAA WISHES BE COOPERATIVE WITH GOI BUT UNABLE TO ACT ON ALLEGATIONS UNLESS CHARGES ARE SUBSTANTIATED WITH EVIDENCE, E.G., AIRCRAFT TYPE AND REGISTRATION NO, NAME OF PILOT/OPERATOR.
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